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"AN ACT CONCERNING LICENSES ISSUED BY THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH."

- In line 6, strike "during each twelve-month period that"
- 2 Strike line 7 in its entirety
- In line 8, strike "in" and insert "during each registration period of
- 4 this section, "registration period" means the one-year period for which
- 5 a license or certificate has been renewed in accordance with" in lieu
- 6 thereof
- 7 In line 25, strike "that immediately precedes the date of completion
- 8 of"
- 9 In line 26, strike "the course or other offering" and insert "for which
- 10 the continuing education credit hours apply" in lieu thereof
- In line 32, strike "during the year immediately following the date on
- 12 which"

In line 33, strike "the licensee's license is renewed" and insert "who

14 is applying for license renewal" 15 In line 45, strike "On" and insert "Applicants for licensure who 16 graduate from an approved school or college of natureopathy on" 17 In line 45, strike "no" 18 In line 46, strike "person" and after "shall" insert "not" 19 In line 48, insert an opening bracket before "The" 20 In line 50, insert a closing bracket after "board." 21 In line 71, insert an opening bracket before "Any" 22 In line 74, insert a closing bracket after "natureopathy." 23 In line 100, strike "19a-17 or" In line 103, strike "on or before October 1, 2003" and insert "within 24 25 twelve months of the effective date of this section" in lieu thereof

- In line 111, strike "six" and insert "twenty" in lieu thereof
- 27 In line 114, strike "Department of"
- In line 115, strike "Public Health, educational offerings sponsored by
- 29 a hospital or other"

- 30 Strike line 116 in its entirety
- In line 117, strike "accredited academic institution." and insert
- 32 "Connecticut Certification Board. Other qualifying continuing
- 33 education activities include educational offerings sponsored by a
- 34 hospital or other licensed healthcare institution or courses offered by
- 35 regionally accredited academic institutions. An alcohol or drug
- 36 counselor licensed or certified pursuant to chapter 376b of the general
- 37 statutes, who instructs such educational activities shall be eligible, one
- 38 time, for the same continuing education credit available to those

39 licensed or certified counselors attending such activities. Such alcohol

- 40 or drug counselors who are faculty members of academic institutions
- 41 shall not be eligible for such continuing education credit." in lieu
- 42 thereof
- In line 136, strike "on or before October 1, 2003" and insert "within
- 44 twelve months of the effective date of this section" in lieu thereof
- 45 Strike section 6 in its entirety and insert the following in lieu thereof:
- 46 "Sec. 6. Subsection (i) of section 20-8a of the general statutes is
- 47 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective
- 48 *October* 1, 2002):
- 49 (i) Except in a case in which a license has been summarily
- 50 suspended, pursuant to subsection (c) of section 19a-17 or subsection
- 51 (c) of section 4-182, all three panel members shall be present to hear
- 52 any evidence and vote on a proposed final decision. The chairperson of
- 53 the Medical Examining Board may exempt a member from a meeting
- of the panel if the chairperson finds that good cause exists for such an
- 55 exemption. Such an exemption may be granted orally but shall be
- 56 reduced to writing and included as part of the record of the panel
- 57 within two business days of the granting of the exemption or the
- opening of the record and shall state the reason for the exemption.
- 59 Such exemption shall be granted to a member no more than once
- during any contested case and shall not be granted for a meeting at
- which the panel is acting on a proposed final decision on a statement of charges. No more than one panel member shall be exempted during
- of charges. No more than one panel member shall be exempted during
- 63 any contested case and of the two remaining panel members, one shall
- be a physician. The board may appoint a member to the panel to replace any member who resigns or otherwise fails to continue to serve
- on the panel. Such replacement member shall review the record prior
- 67 to the next hearing.
- Sec. 7. (Effective from passage) The Department of Public Health, in
- 69 consultation with one or more institutions of higher education and one
- or more hospitals, may, within available appropriations, develop a

71 grant related to children with special health care needs in order to 72 improve access to extended home care services that may include (1) a 73 state-wide nursing pool, (2) home care agency certification for a 74 continuum of professional pediatric home care skills, (3) hospital-75 based in-service training, and (4) a data feedback system to the 76 department for children requiring extended home care services and 77 the ratio of filled to unfilled hours. The department, in conjunction 78 with one or more institutions of higher education and one or more 79 hospitals, may seek private or federal funds to pay for costs associated 80 with the development of such grant.

- Sec. 8. (Effective from passage) Notwithstanding the provisions of section 20-236 of the general statutes, during the period commencing on the effective date of this section and ending thirty days after said date, the Department of Public Health may issue a license as a barber, under chapter 386 of the general statutes, to any applicant who presents to the department satisfactory evidence that the applicant has practiced barbering, as defined in section 20-234 of the general statutes, for a minimum of twenty years immediately preceding the date of the application.
- Sec. 9. (NEW) (Effective October 1, 2002) (a) As used in this section, "homeopathic physician" means a physician who prescribes the single remedy in the minimum dose in potentized form, selected from the law of similars.
 - (b) No person shall practice as a homeopathic physician until such person has obtained a license to practice medicine and surgery from the Department of Public Health pursuant to chapter 370 of the general statutes. No license as a homeopathic physician shall be required of a graduate of any school or institution giving instruction in the healing arts who is completing a post-graduate medical training in homeopathy pursuant to subsection (c) of this section.
- 101 (c) Applicants for licensure as a homeopathic physician shall, in 102 addition to meeting the requirements of section 20-10 of the general

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103 statutes, have successfully completed not less than one hundred 104 twenty hours of post-graduate medical training in homeopathy offered 105 by an institution approved by the Connecticut Homeopathic Medical 106 Examining Board under section 20-8 of the general statutes or the 107 American Institute of Homeopathy, or one hundred twenty hours of 108 post-graduate medical training in homeopathy under the direct 109 supervision of a licensed homeopathic physician, which shall consist of 110 thirty hours of theory and ninety hours of clinical practice. Said 111 Connecticut Homeopathic Medical Examining Board shall approve 112 any training completed under the direct supervision of a licensed 113 homeopathic physician.

114 Sec. 10. Section 20-198 of the general statutes is repealed and the 115 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective October 1, 2002*):

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No person shall be granted such a license until the department finds that he (1) [was] graduated with the degree of doctor of veterinary medicine, or its equivalent, from a school of veterinary medicine, surgery or dentistry which, at the time such person graduated, was accredited by the American Veterinary Medical Association if such school is located in the United States, its territories or Canada, or (2) if graduated from a school located outside of the United States, its territories or Canada, has demonstrated to the satisfaction of the department that he has completed a degree program equivalent in level, content and purpose to the degree of doctor of veterinary medicine as granted by a school of veterinary medicine, surgery or dentistry [which] that is accredited by the American Veterinary Medical Association. No person [who was] that graduated from a school of veterinary medicine, surgery or dentistry [which] that is located outside the United States, its territories or Canada shall be granted a license unless he has also received certification from the Educational Commission for Foreign Veterinary Graduates. [of the American Veterinary Medical Association.] The department may, under such regulations as the Commissioner of Public Health may adopt, with the advice and assistance of the board, deny eligibility for licensure to a graduate of a school [which has] that was been found to

have provided fraudulent or inaccurate documentation regarding either the school's educational program or the academic credentials of graduates of the school's program or to have failed to meet educational standards prescribed in such regulations.

Sec. 11. Section 20-200 of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective October 1, 2002*):

143 The Department of Public Health may without examination issue a license to any veterinarian of good professional character who is 144 145 licensed and practicing in some other state or territory, having 146 requirements for admission determined by the department to be at 147 least equal to the requirements of this state, upon certificate from the 148 board of examiners or like board of the state or territory in which such 149 veterinarian was a practitioner certifying to his competency and that 150 he is a veterinarian of professional attainment and upon the payment 151 of a fee of four hundred fifty dollars to said department. 152 Notwithstanding the provisions of section 20-198, as amended by this 153 act, the Department of Public Health, may, upon payment of a fee of 154 four hundred fifty dollars, [issue a license without examination] grant 155 a license by endorsement to a currently practicing, competent 156 veterinarian in another state or territory who [(1) graduated with the 157 degree of doctor of veterinary medicine, or its equivalent, from a 158 school of veterinary medicine, surgery or dentistry which at the time 159 he graduated was accredited by the American Veterinary Medical 160 Association; (2)] holds a current valid license in good professional 161 standing issued after examination by another state or territory [which] 162 that maintains licensing standards [which, except for examination,] 163 that are commensurate with this state's standards. [, and (3) has 164 worked continuously as a licensed veterinarian in an academic or 165 clinical setting in another state or territory for a period of not less than 166 five years immediately preceding the application for licensure without 167 examination.] No license shall be issued under this section to any 168 applicant against whom professional disciplinary action is pending or 169 who is the subject of an unresolved complaint. The department shall 170 inform the board annually of the number of applications it receives for

171 licensure under this section.

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Sec. 12. Section 20-74c of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective October 1, 2002*):

174 The commissioner may waive the examination for any person 175 certified as an occupational therapist registered (OTR) or as a certified 176 occupational therapy assistant (COTA) by the American Occupational 177 Therapy Association, if the commissioner considers the requirements 178 for certification to be equivalent to the requirements for licensure in 179 this chapter. The commissioner may waive the examination for any 180 applicant who shall present proof of current licensure as an 181 occupational therapist or an occupational therapy assistant in another 182 state, the District of Columbia, or any territory of the United States 183 standards for licensure considered which requires 184 commissioner to be equivalent to the requirements for licensure of this 185 chapter in respect to examination, education, and experience.] 186 Notwithstanding the provisions of section 20-74b, the Department of 187 Public Health may grant a license by endorsement to an occupational therapist or an occupational therapy assistant who presents 188 189 satisfactory evidence to the commissioner that the applicant is licensed 190 or certified as an occupational therapist or occupational therapy 191 assistant or as a person entitled to perform similar services under a 192 different designation in another state or jurisdiction that has 193 requirements for performing in such capacity that are substantially 194 similar to or higher than those of this state. No license shall be issued 195 under this section to any applicant against whom professional 196 disciplinary action is pending or who is the subject of an unresolved 197 complaint.

Sec. 13. (NEW) (*Effective October 1, 2002*) Notwithstanding the provisions of section 20-37 of the general statutes, the Department of Public Health may grant a license by endorsement to a natureopathic physician who presents satisfactory evidence to the commissioner that the applicant is licensed or certified as a natureopathic physician, or as a person entitled to perform similar services under a different

204 designation, in another state or jurisdiction whose requirements for 205 practicing in such capacity are substantially similar to or higher than 206 those of this state. The department may require such applicant to 207 provide satisfactory evidence that the applicant understands 208 Connecticut laws and regulations relating to the practice of 209 nature opathy. The fee for such license shall be four hundred fifty 210 dollars. No license shall be issued under this section to any applicant 211 against whom professional disciplinary action is pending or who is the 212 subject of an unresolved complaint.

- Sec. 14. Subsection (a) of section 20-90 of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective October 1, 2002*):
- 216 (a) Said board may adopt a seal. The Commissioner of Public 217 Health, with advice and assistance from the board, and in consultation 218 with the State Board of Education, shall [promulgate] adopt 219 regulations, in accordance with chapter 54, permitting and setting 220 standards for courses for the training of practical nurses to be offered 221 in high schools and vocational schools for students who have not yet 222 acquired a high school diploma. Students who satisfactorily complete 223 courses approved by said Board of Examiners for Nursing, with the 224 consent of the Commissioner of Public Health, as meeting such 225 standards shall be given credit for each such course toward the 226 requirements for a practical nurse's license. All schools of nursing in 227 this state, except such schools accredited by the National League for 228 Nursing or other [successor] professional accrediting association 229 approved by the United States Department of Education and 230 recognized by the Commissioner of Public Health, and all schools for 231 training licensed practical nurses and all hospitals connected 232 [therewith, which] to such schools that prepare persons for 233 examination under the provisions of this chapter, shall be visited 234 periodically by a representative of the Department of Public Health 235 who shall be a registered nurse or a person experienced in the field of 236 nursing education. The board shall keep a list of all nursing programs 237 and all programs for training licensed practical nurses [which] that are

approved by it, with the consent of the Commissioner of Public Health,

- 239 as maintaining the standard for the education of nurses and the
- 240 training of licensed practical nurses as established by the
- 241 commissioner. The board shall consult, where possible, with nationally
- 242 recognized accrediting agencies when approving schools.
- Sec. 15. Section 19a-14b of the general statutes is repealed and the
- following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective October 1, 2002*):
- 245 (a) For the purposes of this section and sections 20-420 and 20-432,
- 246 the following terms shall have the following meanings unless the
- 247 context clearly denotes otherwise:
- 248 (1) "Radon diagnosis" means evaluating buildings found to have
- levels of radon gas that are higher than the guidelines promulgated by
- 250 this state or the United States Environmental Protection Agency and
- 251 recommending appropriate remedies to eliminate radon.
- 252 (2) "Radon mitigation" means taking steps including, but not limited
- 253 to, installing ventilation systems, sealing entry routes for radon gas
- and installing subslab depressurization systems to reduce radon levels
- 255 in buildings.
- 256 (3) ["Primary testing companies"] "Analytical measurement service
- 257 providers" means companies or individuals that have their own
- analysis capability for radon measurement but may or may not offer
- 259 measurement services directly to the public.
- 260 (4) ["Secondary testing companies"] "Residential measurement
- 261 service providers" means [companies] individuals that offer services
- 262 that include, but are not limited to, detector placement and home
- 263 inspection and consultation but do not have their own analysis
- 264 capability [. Such firms must] and therefore utilize the services of [a
- 265 primary testing company or laboratory] an analytical measurement
- 266 <u>service provider</u> for [its] <u>their</u> detector analysis.
- 267 (5) "Residential mitigation service providers" means individuals that

offer services that include, but are not limited to, radon diagnosis or radon mitigation.

- (b) The Department of Public Health shall [publish a list from time to time of: Companies that perform radon mitigation or diagnosis, primary testing companies and secondary testing companies. A company that performs radon mitigation shall appear on such list only if evidence is presented, satisfactory to the Commissioner of Public Health, that every employee that performs mitigation does so under the direction of an onsite supervisor who is included in the current proficiency report of the United States Environmental Protection Agency National Radon Contractor Proficiency (RCP) Program. A primary testing company and a secondary testing company shall appear on such list only if evidence is presented, satisfactory to the commissioner, that the company is included in the current proficiency report of the United States Environmental Protection Agency National Radon Measurement Proficiency (RMP) Program and persons or companies performing radon diagnostic evaluation are included in the current proficiency reports of both the National Radon Measurement Proficiency (RMP) Program and the National Radon Contractor Proficiency (RCP) Program maintain a list of companies or individuals that offer analytical measurement services, residential measurement services and residential mitigation services. The list shall include the names of companies and individuals that are included in current lists of national radon proficiency programs that have been approved by the commissioner.
- (c) The Department of Public Health shall adopt regulations, in accordance with chapter 54, establishing safe levels of radon in potable water.
 - Sec. 16. (*Effective from passage*) Notwithstanding the provisions of chapter 372 of the general statutes, during the period commencing on the effective date of this section and ending thirty days after said effective date, the Department of Public Health shall issue a license to practice chiropractic to any applicant who presents to the department

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satisfactory evidence that the applicant: (1) Has graduated from an accredited school of chiropractic approved by the State Board of Chiropractic Examiners with the consent of the Commissioner of Public Health; (2) holds current licensure as a chiropractor in at least one other state; (3) has practiced chiropractic for not less than twenty years; and (4) has served as dean of an accredited school of chiropractic at an institute of higher education in this state for not less than five years consecutively, while serving as a professor of clinical sciences during such tenure.

Sec. 17. (Effective from passage) Notwithstanding the provisions of subsection (a) of section 20-195dd of the general statutes, during the period commencing on the effective date of this section and ending thirty days after said effective date, an applicant for licensure as a professional counselor under chapter 383c of the general statutes, in lieu of the requirements set forth in said subsection, may submit evidence satisfactory to the Commissioner of Public Health of having: (1) Earned a master's degree in counseling prior to 1986 from a regionally accredited institution of higher education; and (2) practiced professional counseling for a minimum of fifteen years immediately preceding the date of application.

Sec. 18. (Effective from passage) Notwithstanding the provisions of subsection (a) of section 20-195dd of the general statutes, during the period commencing on the effective date of this section and ending thirty days after said effective date, an applicant for licensure as a professional counselor under chapter 383c of the general statutes, in lieu of the requirements set forth in said subsection, may submit evidence satisfactory to the Commissioner of Public Health of having: (1) Earned a master's degree in education from a regionally accredited institution of higher education; (2) completed at least seventy credit hours leading to a degree in clinical psychology from a regionally accredited institution of higher education; (3) practiced professional counseling for a minimum of ten years within a fifteen-year period immediately preceding the date of application; and (4) passed an examination prescribed by the commissioner.

Sec. 19. Section 19a-269 of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective October 1, 2002*):

- 337 (a) The Commissioner of Public Health shall: (1) Recommend minimum criteria for dialysis facilities and transplantation centers; (2) 338 339 recommend medical criteria for eligibility of kidney disease patients 340 for any available state assistance; (3) recommend programs of 341 detection, prevention and public education concerning kidney disease; 342 (4) recommend research into problems associated with kidney disease; 343 (5) review all existing medical and social programs related to kidney 344 disease to assure that all patients shall receive, with a minimum of 345 duplication of financial and physical resources, the best possible health 346 care.
- [(b) The Commissioner of Public Health shall, on or before November 30, 1978, and annually thereafter, report to the Governor and to the General Assembly the results of his studies and recommendations for such executive and legislative action as he finds beneficial to the public interest.]
 - [(c)] (b) In the performance of his duties, the Commissioner of Public Health may order the preparation of books, reports and records and may pay for the expert advisors and assistants for making his studies and formulating his recommendations from funds made available by the Department of Public Health from the appropriation to said Department of Public Health.
- Sec. 20. Section 25-40 of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective October 1, 2002*):
- Town, city and borough directors of health shall, when in their judgment health may be menaced or impaired through a water supply, send, subject to the approval of the Department of Public Health, samples of such water to said department for examination and analysis. Said department shall perform such examination and analysis without charge unless such town, city or borough is to be reimbursed for the expense of any such examination and analysis, and in such

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367 event a fee shall be charged in accordance with a schedule of fees 368 [directly related to operating costs] to be established by the 369 Commissioner of Public Health and based upon nationally recognized 370 standards and performance measures for analytic work effort for such 371 examination and analysis. Any person, firm or corporation which 372 operates or maintains a laboratory in which any determination, 373 examination or analysis is made of any sample of water or sewage as a 374 basis for advice as to the sanitary quality of such water or sewage or as 375 to any possible danger to health involved, unless such laboratory has 376 been approved specifically for that purpose by the Department of 377 Public Health, after meeting the requirements established by said 378 department, shall be fined not more than one hundred dollars.

- Sec. 21. (NEW) (*Effective October 1, 2002*) For purposes of this section:
- (1) "Opioid antagonist" means naloxone hydrochloride or any other similarly acting and equally safe drug approved by the federal Food and Drug Administration for the treatment of drug overdose;
- (2) "Department" means the Department of Public Health; and
- 385 (3) "Commissioner" means the Commissioner of Public Health.
 - Sec. 22. (NEW) (Effective October 1, 2002) The Commissioner of Public Health may publish an annual report on drug overdose trends state-wide that reviews state death rates from available data to ascertain changes in the causes or rates of fatal and nonfatal drug overdose for the preceding period of not less than five years. The report shall also provide information on interventions that would be effective in reducing the rate of fatal or nonfatal drug overdose. The report shall include: (1) Trends in drug overdose death rates; (2) trends in emergency room utilization related to drug overdoses and the cost impact of emergency room utilization; (3) trends in utilization of prehospital and emergency services and the cost impact of emergency services utilization; (4) suggested improvements in data collection; and (5) a description of other interventions effective in reducing the rate of

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fatal or nonfatal drug overdoses. The commissioner may submit such report, in accordance with section 11-4a of the general statutes, on or before July 1, 2003, to the Governor and the joint standing committee of the General Assembly having cognizance of matters relating to public health. The department, in conjunction with an institution of higher education, may seek private or federal funds to pay for costs associated with said report.

- Sec. 23. Subdivision (3) of subsection (b) of section 19a-77 of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective October 1, 2002*):
- (3) Recreation operations such as but not limited to creative art studios for children that offer parent-child recreational programs and classes in music, dance, drama and art that are no longer than two hours in length during the school year and three hours in length during any other time of the year, library programs, boys' and girls' clubs, church-related activities, scouting, camping or community-youth programs.
- Sec. 24. Section 19a-122b of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective October 1, 2002*):

Notwithstanding the provisions of chapters 368v and 368z, an organization licensed as a hospice pursuant to the Public Health Code or certified as a hospice pursuant to 42 USC Section 1395x, shall be authorized, until October 1, [2001] 2006, to operate on a pilot basis a residence for terminally ill persons, for the purpose of providing hospice home care arrangements including, but not limited to, hospice home care services and supplemental services. Such arrangements shall be provided to those patients who would otherwise receive such care from family members. The residence shall provide a homelike atmosphere for such patients for a time period deemed appropriate for home health care services under like circumstances. Any hospice which operates a residence pursuant to the provisions of this section shall cooperate with the Commissioner of Public Health to develop

431 standards for the licensure and operation of such homes.

432 Sec. 25. (Effective October 1, 2002) Notwithstanding the provisions of 433 subsection (a) of section 20-195dd of the general statutes, during the period commencing on the effective date of this section and ending 434 435 thirty days after said effective date, an applicant for licensure as a 436 professional counselor under chapter 383c of the general statutes, in 437 lieu of the requirements set forth in said subsection, may submit 438 evidence satisfactory to the Commissioner of Public Health of having: 439 (1) Earned a master's degree in education with a major in 440 psychological counseling prior to 1975 from a regionally accredited 441 institution of higher education; (2) passed the examination offered by 442 the National Association of Certified Mental Health Counselors; (3) 443 current certification with the National Association for Certified Mental 444 Health Counselors; and (4) practiced professional counseling for a 445 minimum of ten years within the twenty-year period immediately 446 preceding the date of application.

Sec. 26. Section 20-74s of the general statutes is amended by adding subsection (x) as follows (*Effective October 1, 2002*):

(NEW) (x) The provisions of this section shall apply to employees of the Department of Correction, other than individuals completing supervised work experience pursuant to subsection (e) of section 20-74s, trainees or student interns covered under subsection (u) of section 20-74s, as follows: (1) Any person hired by the Department of Correction on or after October 1, 2002, for a position as a substance abuse counselor or supervisor of substance abuse counselors shall be a licensed or certified alcohol and drug counselor; (2) any person employed by the Department of Correction prior to October 1, 2002, as a substance abuse counselor or supervisor of substance abuse counselors shall become licensed or certified as an alcohol and drug counselor by October 1, 2007; and (3) any person employed by the Department of Correction on or after October 1, 2007, as a substance abuse counselor or supervisor of substance abuse counselors shall be a licensed or certified alcohol and drug counselors shall be a licensed or certified alcohol and drug counselor.

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Sec. 27. Section 7-64 of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective October 1, 2002*):

- 466 (a) The body of each person who dies in this state shall be buried, 467 removed or cremated within a reasonable time after death. The person 468 to whom the custody and control of the remains of any deceased 469 person are granted by law shall see that the certificate of death 470 required by law has been completed and filed in accordance with 471 section 7-62b, as amended, prior to final disposition of the body. An 472 authorization for final disposition issued under the law of another 473 state which accompanies a dead body or fetus brought into this state 474 shall be authority for final disposition of the body or fetus in this state. 475 The provisions of this section shall not in any way impair the authority 476 of directors of health in cases of death resulting from communicable 477 diseases, nor conflict with any statutes regulating the delivery of 478 bodies to any medical school, nor prevent the placing of any body 479 temporarily in the receiving vault of any cemetery. The placing of any 480 body in a family vault or tomb within any cemetery shall be deemed a 481 burial under the provisions of this section.
- (b) The Commissioner of Public Health shall adopt regulations, in accordance with the provisions of chapter 54, for the purpose of establishing a procedure for following the transfer and movement of the body of each person who dies in this state from the time of death until such time as the body is buried, removed or cremated.
- (c) Any person who violates any provision of this section or regulation adopted pursuant to subsection (b) of this section shall be fined not more than five hundred dollars or imprisoned not more than five years.
- Sec. 28. (Effective October 1, 2002) Management Personnel Policy shall be amended to include the Director and the Assistant Director of the Oil and Chemical Spill Response Division of the Waste Management Bureau of the Department of Environmental Protection.
- Sec. 29. (Effective from passage) The Brookfield Water Company, a

corporation incorporated under the laws of the state of Connecticut on February 2, 1998, shall continue to exist as a corporation with all the rights, powers and duties set forth in its certificate of incorporation and any amendment thereto, and said corporation shall further have and exercise all powers and privileges granted herein, together with such other powers, privileges and duties as may be granted to water companies by the general statutes for the purpose of supplying the town of Brookfield and the inhabitants thereof with an abundant supply of water for public, domestic and other use.

Sec. 30. (Effective from passage) The Brookfield Water Company shall, in addition to the powers and privileges referred to in section 29 of this act, be further empowered and authorized, as may be necessary or convenient for conducting water to and distributing water within the town of Brookfield: (1) To open public streets, ways and grounds for purposes of installing, maintaining, repairing and replacing its mains, pipes and conduits and other works useful for public water supply, provided said corporation shall have such streets, ways and grounds in all respects in as good condition as before the installation, maintenance, repair or replacement of such mains, pipes, conduits and other works; (2) to install, maintain, operate, repair and replace its mains, pipes and conduits and other works through, over and under public streets, ways and grounds in said town of Brookfield or the immediate vicinity of the town of Brookfield; (3) to construct, repair and maintain such reservoir or reservoirs or other source or sources of water supply and structures and facilities appurtenant thereto; (4) to construct, repair and maintain any canals or aqueducts and other works as may be useful for public water supply; (5) to install fire hydrants; and (6) to remove existing nuisances and prohibit the erection of other nuisances upon such streams as may be used by the corporation for water supply purposes, provided nothing in sections 29 to 33, inclusive, of this act shall authorize said corporation to take the property or vested rights of any other person without just compensation therefor.

Sec. 31. (Effective from passage) The Brookfield Water Company may

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take, hold and use such lands, springs, streams or ponds or such rights and interests therein as may be expedient or necessary for the purposes of providing a public water supply to the town of Brookfield and its inhabitants in accordance with sections 29 to 33, inclusive, of this act, preserving the purity of such water and preventing any contamination thereof, provided, in all such cases where the law shall require that compensation be paid to any person whose rights, interests or property have been or will be injuriously affected by such taking, said corporation may apply to the Superior Court and such court, after such notice as said court shall deem sufficient, shall appoint a committee of three disinterested persons who shall, after reasonable notice to the parties, determine and award the amount to be paid by said corporation on account of such taking, which determination and award shall be returned to the clerk of the Superior Court, who shall, upon approval by the court, record the same. The court's approval of an award shall constitute a final judgment.

Sec. 32. (*Effective from passage*) The town of Brookfield or any school district or fire district within said town may contract with said corporation for a supply of water for use or protection of any property within its limits and for other purposes and may assess and collect a tax for such amounts as may be required to meet liabilities under such contract or contracts.

Sec. 33. (*Effective from passage*) Where The Brookfield Water Company is not able to provide a source of water supply to a customer, such customer shall be permitted to construct a well on property owned by such customer to provide water for use on such property, without any obligation for payment to The Brookfield Water Company. Such well shall not be considered a source of water supply for The Brookfield Water Company.

Sec. 34. (*Effective from passage*) Sections 29 to 33, inclusive, of this act shall be valid and effective as an amendment to the Certificate of Incorporation of The Brookfield Water Company if, not later than one year after the effective date of this act, it is accepted at a meeting of the

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stockholders of said corporation duly noticed for such purpose and only upon the filing after such meeting of a certificate of amendment in the office of the Secretary of the State."